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ALONG THE SPORT LINE

Local and Outside

MATTY GETS BIG
OVATION IN FIRST
DAY AS MANAGER

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 22.—About 2,500 fans came out yesterday to greet Matty Mathewson on his debut as manager of the Reds, and it was a cheerful throng, too, even after Philadelphia won in the tenth by 4 to 1. All over the stands the fans were talking in a hopeful vein. Although not looking for Matty to accomplish wonders with the club, they expect him to do better things than have been done in the recent past.

The Reds, too, went to their work in a different spirit. They gave Matty the warmest kind of reception when he appeared in the clubhouse shortly after noon. Rain that fell just before game time held down the crowd, but it was the best week-day attendance for a long time.

Matty, earlier in the day, after a conference with President Herrmann, signed a contract which binds him until the conclusion of the 1918 season. Immediately he got on the job. As he appeared on the field in his red uniform the greeting from the fans was one of hearty good-will and Matty acknowledged it with a pleasant smile. He took a seat, handed out his autographs, and exercised a general oversight as the practice went along.

On the bench a subdued buzzing chatter was going on and favorable comments on Matty seemed to be the subject of the conversation. Matty's real greeting, though, came when he took the batting order up to the umpire. A tremendous ovation was accorded to him.

GEORGE CHIP OFF
TO AUSTRALIA TO
FIGHT LES DARCY

New York, July 22.—George Chip off for Australia and a battle with Les Darcy. Darcy has found it so hard to dig up opponents of late that he was recently matched with Dave Smith, who had long since seen his best days. It was Smith who discovered Darcy and taught him the rudiments of the game. Darcy won by a knockout in 13 rounds. Chip should be able to extend Darcy to the limit. He is a dangerous hitter and not easily discouraged.

Iver Lawson, Veteran
Bicycle Rider, Hears
Call to Leave Track

One more athlete has heard the call to quit. He is Iver Lawson, the great bicycle rider of just a few years ago. Iver decided to stop because his earning capacity has been reduced to such a state that the effort was no longer worth the while. He's now off to his home in Salt Lake, where, with some of the money he made out of bicycling, he has established a fine home for himself, to live until he wants to retire.

In 1904, the year in which Lawson won the world's championship in London, he was invincible in Europe and Australia. In the latter country he was so fast he was placed as far as 50 yards behind scratch in two-mile handicaps. And the field in Australia at that time was without a peer, such riders as Walter Rutt, Floyd McFarland, Thorwald Ellgaard, then in his prime, Major Taylor and Tom Gascoyne being included on the galaxy of stars.

McFarland and other riders credited Lawson with showing more speed at that time than any rider ever showed before or since. In match races with the great Taylor, Lawson merely toyed with the colored rider. The Swede's winning that year was well over \$25,000, but his decline was as rapid as his rise.

Lawson is the holder of the quarter-mile record, which he withstood the onslaughts of every star since its establishment in 1904, and which may live forever as a monument to the game little Swede.

Coulton's Manager Is
After Flynn's Scalp

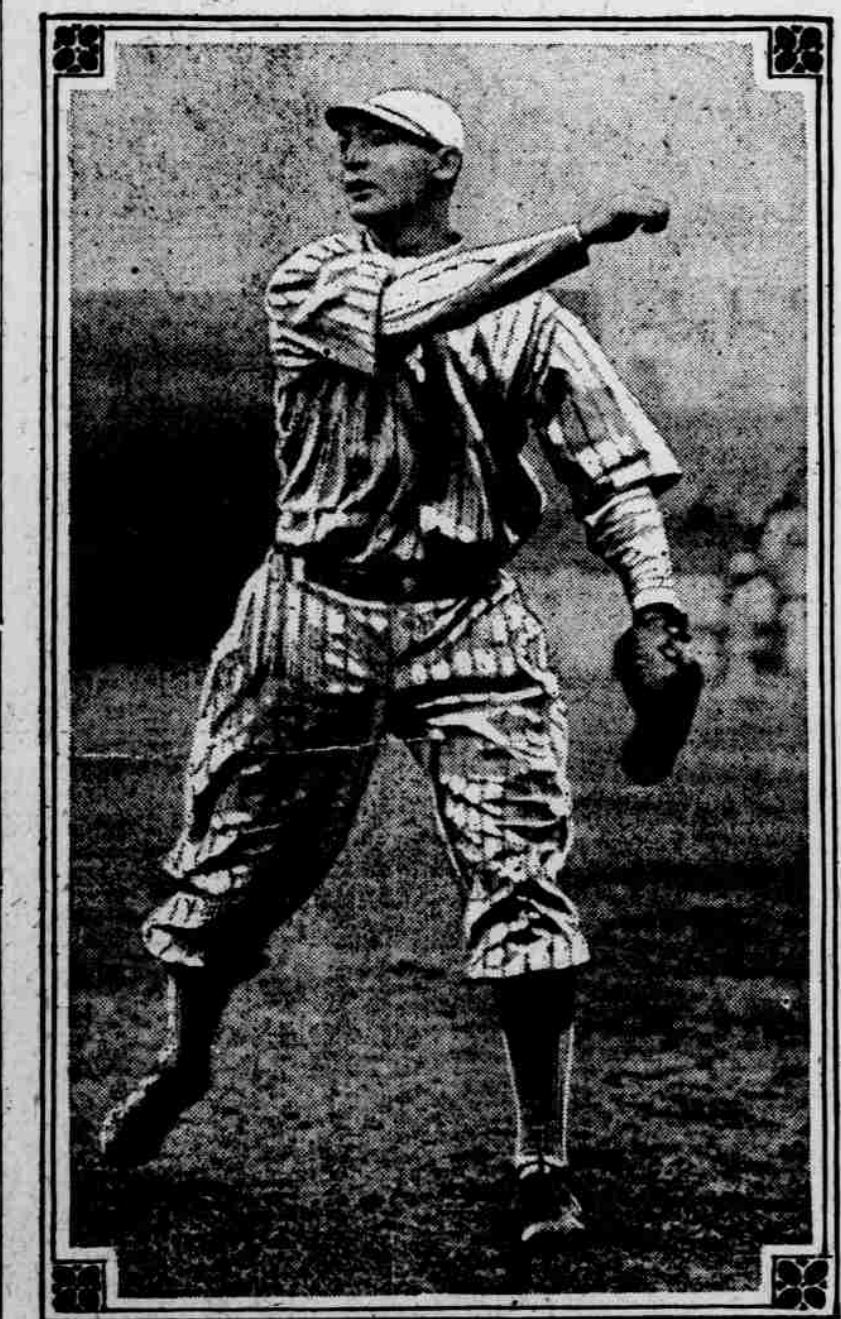
Joe Smith, manager of Danny Coulton, sends the following:

"I came into Bridgeport yesterday to post a forfeit with the promoters for the weight and appearance of Danny Coulton, who meets Young McAuliffe at Walnut Beach on July 29. My attention was called to a letter in this morning paper from one Leo Plant Flynn. Flynn attacks Young McAuliffe for taking on Danny Coulton. He claims Coulton is not well known in New York and intimates that he is a mark. Coulton is under my management. He is a feather-weight champion of the Pacific Coast and has fought and defeated the best men in his class throughout the West. He has also decisively defeated Abe Attell's brother. He has never shown in the East but a glance at his record will show that he packs a knockout punch in either hand for he has won 15 out of 20 of his last fights with the K. O. route.

"Now a word about this Mr. Flynn. He is known as a writer of such letters as published this morning, to try and bull promoters into giving his man a match. Flynn forgot to mention that Lahn was recently knocked out by Young Schubert, the New Bedford bantamweight.

"I think an attack on McAuliffe from a man like Flynn is an injustice to the local youngsters. In conclusion I wish to say that I will let Coulton box Lahn and he will agree to knock out the Lahn entry within 15 rounds. The only provision I make is that the entire purse go to some worthy charitable institution for I will never give Flynn a chance to make a dollar boxing any of my men.

"JOE SMITH, 'Manager of Danny Coulton.'

JACK MILLER OF CARDINALS
ONE OF HARDEST WORKING
PLAYERS IN THE GAME

"St. Louis, July 21.—Jack Miller of the St. Louis Nationals, is one of the hardest working players in the game today," said a veteran ball player recently. "From the start of the season until the end Jack is always on the job giving his best. While Miller is not the greatest first baseman in the business he is a corking good man in the position. In addition to being able to handle the initial station Miller can also fill the bill nicely at second or short, which he has been forced to do many times during the past season. I consider him one of the most valuable ball players in the game," adds the veteran. Picture shows Miller pegging from first.

Diamond Flashes

All ball players are athletes—below the ears.

A switch in time often saves a nine.

It's a long worm that has no turning, it is said, but the Athletics seem to be a l. w.

Jupiter Pluvius and Mars have made a hard pair for the magnates to buck this year.

Attaching the derrick to pitchers in order to permit a pinch hitter to pinch hit is becoming too frequent, says Ban Johnson, and he threatens to pass a law against it.

The Tigers seem to be mighty good spurs—both ways.

Most of the Atlantic leagues—and there have been a lot of them first and last—seem to go there.

Old Cactus and the Trappe Terror may be going back—but so are the outfielders when they are at bat.

A statistician estimates that the big league magnates have lost \$350,000 from bad weather since the season began, but we should worry.

The hydra-headed "betting evil" is again attracting the attention of both major and minor league magnates. They lament that so many fans are interested in gambling on the game that they never go near the ball yards.

The Cubs now have a luxuriantly uniformed and handsomely upholstered announcer, and the Chicago fans are wild about him, although there is a great deal of discussion as to what language he speaks.

Most of the ex-Fed players have now been taken back into the fraternity, but the loyalty haven't killed any fatted calves in their honor.

One of the merits of the daylight saving scheme, it is declared, is that it would permit the minor leagues to play their games after 6 o'clock.

Buck O'Brien, who used to pitch for the Red Sox and other clubs, is now a regular actor fellow in vaudeville. He can still put lots of stuff on the ball.

Brooklyn is famed as the "City of Churches" and a religious center, but the fans of that ballclub have on several occasions this year been guilty of actions which would be considered unsportsmanlike at a Mexican bullfight.

Of pitchers in the game, is back in service with the Braves after a period as Harvard baseball coach. Mitchell, whose real name is said to be Yapp, was once a pitcher himself, and twirling for Lawrence, the Red Sox, the Athletics, the Phillies and Toronto

TRIS SPEAKER AND
ROBERTSON LEAD
MAJORS IN HITTING

Chicago, July 22.—Tris Speaker's big part in keeping Cleveland in the American League pennant race, is shown by averages printed here today, including games played last Wednesday. Speaker increased his batting average during the week to .389 and leads the hitters of his league in total bases with 163 and in runs scored with 67. Cobb is ahead in stolen bases with 36; Eddie Collins in sacrifice hits with 22. Baker in home runs with eight and Detroit in club batting with 165. The leading batters who have played in at least half the games of the clubs: Speaker, Cleveland, .389; Jackson, Chicago, .360; Cobb, Detroit, .357; Burns, Detroit, .306.

Heine Zimmerman has batted his way to a tie for second place among the National League hitters, half the games of the clubs: Speaker, Cleveland, .389; Jackson, Chicago, .360; Cobb, Detroit, .357; Burns, Detroit, .306.

BLAKE'S DOUBLE
CLINCHES VICTORY
FOR LOCAL SQUAD

(By Wagner)

The jinx that was chasing the Yankees appears to have struck the Bridgeport club a glancing blow. Just as Mike Flaherty was inspiring the local team with pepper he was spiked in the hand yesterday during the Lowell game. He had to retire from the contest but luckily he was not badly hurt and will be able to play again on Sunday. Before he retired Flaherty peeled off a triple and single.

Bridgeport displayed a punch for the first time in many weeks and by coming from behind in the eighth gave Lowell a 6 to 4 beating. This was just after Lowell had scored four and taken the lead. Shanty House twisted a tight game for the locals except in the eighth. He blanked the visitors outside of that session.

Pelky, a young southpaw, started for Lowell. He allowed only two runs until the eighth when the home talent drove him to cover. Otto Deininger led the slugger with a home run and double. His homer came in the fourth when he was first up. The ball bounded into foul territory and was lost in the grass along the left field fence. Baker had a triple and double and Blake came through with a single and double. The latter blow broke up the battle for it was delivered in the eighth with the sacks loaded and two out.

After Lowell got four in the eighth and went ahead by 4 to 2, the locals got busy. Two baggers by Deininger produced a run and Warner's single brought Baker in. Two Lowell errors filled the bases and Blake's swing hit the rest. After Warner's hit Pelky retired and Zeiser pitched for Lowell. The score:

	ab	r	lb	po	a	e
Stimpson, cf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Kane, cf	4	1	2	3	1	0
Parker, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Heinrich, 3b	4	0	0	0	2	1
Robinson, 2b	4	0	0	3	1	1
O'Connell, ss	4	0	1	1	6	1
Kitchell, 1b	4	1	1	8	0	0
Pelky, p	4	1	6	0	0	0
Zeiser, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Greenhalge	1	0	0	0	0	0

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Bridgeport.

	ab	r	lb	po	a	e
Blake, lf	5	0	2	4	0	0
Dugan, cf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Deininger, 1b	4	2	2	7	0	0
Baker, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	2
Warner, 2b	3	1	1	3	3	0
Horkheimer, ss	4	0	0	4	2	1
Moshier, rf	4	1	1	2	0	1
Flaherty, c	3	0	2	3	2	1
Mullenrann, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
House, p	2	0	0	0	3	0

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*Batted for Zeiser in ninth.

Lowell, 0 0 0 0 0 0 4-6

Bridgeport, 0 0 1 0 1 0 4 x-8

Two-base hits, Deininger, Baker, Blake, O'Connell. Three-base hits, Flaherty, Baker. Home runs, Deininger. Stolen bases, Moshier, Stimpson, Parker. Sacrifice hits, House, Pelky. Left on bases, Lowell 5, Bridgeport 7. First base on errors, Lowell 1, Bridgeport 3. Bases on balls, off Pelky 1, House 1, off Zeiser 0. Struck out, by Pelky 3, House 2, by Zeiser 2. Umpire, Keady. Time 1:45.

Welsh-White Out
Called Off When Men
Disagree Over Referee

Minneapolis, Minn., July 22.—Inability to agree upon a referee caused the cancellation yesterday afternoon of the proposed 10-round bout between Freddie Welsh and Charley White, of Chicago, which was to take place here last night.

It was said last night that efforts are being made to arrange a 20-round match between Welsh and White for the lightweight title, to be held at Colorado Springs, Col., Labor Day. Negotiations for this match will be continued in Chicago.

FUNERAL BOUQUETS
AND DESIGNS.
JOHN RECK & SON.

Short Sections
of Fan Fodder

TILLMAN REPORTS HERE.

Johnny Tillman, the former St. Louis American pitcher recently signed by Manager Healy, reported to the Bridgeport club this morning. Tillman has been pitching for Houston in the Texas league. He is tanned a rich, brown hue and has taken off considerable weight. Johnny declares he is in good condition, though, and ready to take his turn. He will be used against Springfield tomorrow at Newfield sports. Mike Flaherty, who was spiked yesterday, is not so badly hurt as first thought. He expects to be able to catch tomorrow and with him behind the bat the locals will be much stronger. Joe Briggs, the new outfielder, is also due to be in right field for Bridgeport. The same will start at 3:30.

There is talk of an Inter-Industrial league, which would consist of shop teams in this city and New Haven. Basketball, football, bowling and other winter sports will be included in the list of battles. A committee has already been appointed in New Haven and as the Arms Co. and other local firms are interested the league's prospects look promising.

Mike Flaherty has been going great with the bat since he joined Bridgeport. The little backstop has poled three singles and a triple in two games. He was touching a runner at the plate in the eighth yesterday when he was spiked. Torphy was on third with one out when Stimpson hit to Ward. Mike Flaherty hit home and Flaherty had the runner out when Torphy's spikes struck Mike's hand and

caused him to drop the ball. George Moshier caught the rest of the game.

Howie Baker has been drubbing the pitchers lately. His triple and double yesterday were long drives that went far over the fielder's heads.

Red Whalen was sick yesterday so Manager Healy secured Horkheimer of the U. M. C. Club to play shortstop. He played a snappy game. Whalen reported for work this morning.

Jack Dillon's offer to bet \$5,000 that he can put Battling Levinsky away in ten rounds has brought a fine crop of roasts for the Indians. Know why Dillon didn't put Levinsky out in any of the eight previous bouts? He was with the Stratford boy. What was Dillon doing in those bouts, holding back his punches?

John McGraw says he regards the Herzog deal as one of the biggest he ever put across. It probably is better than some deals McGraw has made. He doesn't care to remember how he sent Pitcher Demaree and Infielder Stock to the Phillies for \$100,000 on his famous deal whereby he sent Groh and Ames to Cincinnati for the useless Pitcher Fromme.

Benny Kauff fanned so many times in Chicago yesterday that the fans began to kid him. When a player is going bad he always wants to clean up a few of the spectators. Benny threatened to go into the stand and pull a Ty Cobb but fellow players calmed him.

EXPECT M'LOUGHLIN TO PLAY,
IN BIG TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Entry of Great Californian Would Add Interest to East vs. West Match.

New York, July 22.—Tennis enthusiasts in New York are eagerly awaiting definite announcement from Maurice E. McLoughlin, who conquered the late Anthony N. Wilding, regarding his decision to come East to take part in the annual East vs. West matches, which will be decided at the West Side Tennis Club, Forest Hills, L. I., on Aug. 4 and 5. Some time ago word came from the West that McLoughlin had decided not to compete in any matches, with the exception of the national championships, but McLoughlin never personally denied or affirmed this report. Many of his friends believe that he will be in the West's line-up when the international matches are contested.

McLoughlin has always been a favorite here, as much as in California, and there is no doubt that interest would be added to the series if the Westerner were in it. He would like to try his skill against E. Norris Williams before the national championships, and the opportunity to do this is offered to him in the coming series. It is doubtful, however, whether Williams and McLoughlin would be named as number one man on the Eastern team, while William H. Johnston, the present champion, could not be overlooked for the same

position on the Western team, even if the fans might rather see McLoughlin draw against Williams.

Those who have been watching tennis closely feel that it would not be at all surprising if the doubles in the East vs. West matches should prove an unusual feature. One of the Pacific Coast teams will be the national champions, combination Johnston and Clarence J. Griffin, while the other may be McLoughlin and Ward Dawson, a team made up of Willis E. Davis and Roland Roberts. If McLoughlin does not play, Dawson and Davis may join forces.

Just what the Eastern doubles combination will be is still a matter of doubt, but it is known that those anxious to see some of the tennis prizes remain in the East have been bending every effort toward forming a team to give the Pacific Coast stars a run. Theodore R. Pell, who played on many championship doubles teams with Karl H. Behr, has been working out with Fred B. Alexander for some time. Alexander at his best is held by many to be one of the finest doubles players the world ever saw, and should these two join forces the team should be a hard one to beat. There is even the possibility that Williams and Behr will play together, but it is more likely that Williams and Watson M. Washburn will be the partners, since they have had experience in teamwork.

BASEBALL BITS

Weeghman and Tinker, having failed to land Herzog for the Cubs, now will claim the pennant for next year.

Willie Mitchell had faith in his own ability to stick in the majors and Hugh Jennings is glad of it. Willie signed with the Tigers at less money than he got from the Indians. He won two of the three games won by the Tigers during the recent series at the Polo grounds.

Buck O'Brien, formerly of the Red Sox and the inventor of the famous series balk in 1912 at the Polo grounds, is planning a comeback. He is working out each day with the Red Sox at Fenway park.

Jim Shaw of Washington is evidently suffering from lack of work. He allowed only two hits in four innings when started a few days ago, but his wildness was responsible for two runs. Shaw has done little pitching for the Senators this season.

Joe Judge, the Washington first baseman, was operated on for hernia a few days ago. The operation is said to have been a success, but it will be a month or more before it will be known whether or not Judge can continue to play ball.

Ray Morgan, who has been out of the game since the Washington team last appeared at the Polo grounds, will be able to play again next week. Foster will go back to third base and Shanks may be shifted to first.

The Reds have turned loose Pitcher Earl Twining, who was with the team for more than a month. Twining got no chance to show his pitching skill in a regular game. He drew his unconditional release.

If the Braves and Red Sox each fail to win pennants they will engage in a city series for the championship of Boston. Of course both clubs are certain they will take part in the world's series.

The Reds will draw big money when

HERZOG DELIVERS
WINNING HIT FOR
M'GRAW'S CROWD

Chicago, July 22.—Charles Herzog was among the earnest workers who were directly concerned in a rally with which the Giants beat the Cubs yesterday afternoon. The score was 2 to 1, and the late manager of the Reds—an experience which he hopes time will enable him to forget—batted in one of the New York runs, and it proved to be the winning one. Then, again, he did a good deal which doesn't show in the box score statistics.

The hustling Herzog, always a live wire, whether he is for you or against you, kept a fatherly eye on the infield and outfield, directing the players putting soul into them which kept them on their toes.

Wade Kilifer hasn't arrived from Cincinnati yet, but is due today. Herzog said this morning that returning to the Giants was like coming back home and was one reason why he chose New York. Certainly he filled in where he left off several years ago to serve a sentence in Cincinnati. McGraw sent him to short, where he will play until Fletcher returns. Then "Herzy" will go to third.

Prominent in the New York victory, which was won only by clean, athletic ball playing all the way, was the pitching of Jeff Tesreau. Jeff was due. His spit ball amounted to something this time. It had a break and a skid and came through neatly, and the Cubs couldn't master it.

In only one inning did the hitting of the locals approach a coalition. It was sequential to the extent of two hits and one run in the seventh, while in all others there were either no hits or only one of the winsome work of the reformed great bear.

The Giants' hit Packard, not violently, but with just enough gusto to win. They made it warm enough for him to drive him from the heights in the fifth, and then made their small lead stick. Jimmy Lavender stopped them to a standstill, but Tesreau, aided by support which did not slip a cog, rendered futile the Cubs' efforts to draw alongside.

Benny was no help whatever at the bat. He struck out twice and flied out twice, and there was a man on base every time he came up. A butt-in spectator near the New York bench cast aspersions on his batting ability. Benny gave him spirited argument until quieted by Mike Dolan.

DUNDEE CAN'T GET
WELSH TO AGREE
TO STEP INTO RING

New York, July 22.—Johnny Dundee still finds himself left out in the cold. Although he has done everything in his power to lure Welsh into the ring, the champion will have none of him. As Dundee is not a knock-out man, he would seem to be a great deal less dangerous to be fooling with than Charley White, but Welsh evidently has his own ideas on these matters.

Whatever the reason, it is plain that he has no idea of tackling the little Italian although Welsh would have a ten pound advantage in the weights. Dundee's latest offer is to fight Welsh at Denver for nothing more than \$500 for training expenses.

INJURY TO GOTCH
STOPS GOSSIP OF
STECHER CONTEST

New York, July 22.—The injury to Frank Gotch, wrestling champion, will still for some time all talk regarding a match between the title holder and Joe Stecher. Ukali Gotch broke his leg. It appeared probable that the two would meet this autumn or winter in a match to a finish for the championship. The champion is reported to have been gradually rounding into the form he displayed on the mat a few years ago and to have expressed to his friends the opinion that he could regain the strength and speed that made him invincible in the past. It is quite within the range of probability that when Gotch recovers from his broken leg he will decide to forego any further attempt to re-enter the wrestling arena.

MORE SPEED ON
BASES IN MAJORS
THAN LAST YEAR

New York, July 22.—More speed is being shown on the baselines and in the field this season than was the case a year ago. If the various records of the two major leagues are read aright by those who follow the intricacies of the national sport, considered as a whole the averages of the players of the American and National leagues show greater hitting ability; better fielding form and in fact an all-around improvement upon the play of 12 months ago.

A comparison of the base stealing records bear out this statement for it is seen that with a few exceptions the leading base stealers of this season are well ahead of their 1915 performances. While Ty Cobb has yet to reach his mark of a year ago, the majority of the leaders are well beyond the total number of bases stolen during the first half of the previous season.

The British government is now spending \$400,000,000 a year on pensions.